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In re Application of:	)	
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Yoshifumi NISHIMURA et al.	)	Group Art Unit:
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Application No.:	)	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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For: MUTANT PROTEINS IN THE	)	Confirmation No.:
DNA-BINDING DOMAIN OF A	)	
TRLOMERIC PROTEIN, TRF2,	)	
AND TELOMERIC DNA	)	
MUTANTS, AND USE OF THE	)	
COMPLEX STRUCTURE OF THE	)	
TRF2 DNA-BINDING DOMAIN	)	
AND TELOMERIC DNA	)	

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the enclosed application, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.